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(iii) the hydratable component being a component which successfully competes with the hydrated component for at least a portion of the water of hydration; and

(b) molding the mixture to provide a molded detergent composition having a melting point greater than about 30° C.

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5. (Amended) A method according to claim 1, wherein the step of mixing further comprises mixing butoxy ethanol with the hydrated component and the hydratable component.

16. (Amended) A molded detergent composition comprising:
a result of mixing and molding a composition without heating, the composition comprising:

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- (a) hydrated component and a hydratable component;
 - (b) the hydrated component having a melting point below about 100° C and comprising a transhydration product of an anhydrous material and water of hydration, the anhydrous material having a melting point greater than about 300° C;
 - (c) the hydratable component comprising water, if present at all, at a level of less than about 2 wt.% based on the weight of the hydratable component;
 - (d) the hydratable component being a component which successfully competes with the hydrated component for at least a portion of the water of hydration; and
 - (e) the molded detergent composition having a melting point greater than about 30°C.

Please add the following claims:

27. (New) A method for manufacturing a molded detergent composition, the method comprising steps of:

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- (a) mixing a hydrated component and a hydratable component to provide a mixture:
 - (i) the hydrated component having a melting point below about 100° C and comprising a transhydration product of an anhydrous material and water of hydration, the anhydrous material having a melting point greater than about 300° C;

(ii) the hydratable component comprising water, if present at all, at a level of less than about 2 wt.% based on the weight of the hydratable component;

(iii) the hydratable component being a component which successfully competes with the hydrated component for at least a portion of the water of hydration; and

(iv) the mixture comprising enzyme in an amount of between about 0.01 wt.% and about 10 wt.% based on the weight of the mixture.

(b) molding the mixture to provide a molded detergent composition having a melting point greater than about 30° C.

28. (New) A method according to claim 27, wherein the enzyme comprises at least one of protease, lipase, amylase, cellulase, and mixtures thereof.

29. (New) A molded detergent composition comprising:

a result of mixing and molding a composition comprising:

(a) hydrated component and a hydratable component;

(b) the hydrated component having a melting point below about 100° C and comprising a transhydration product of an anhydrous material and water of hydration, the anhydrous material having a melting point greater than about 300° C;

(c) the hydratable component comprising water, if present at all, at a level of less than about 2 wt.% based on the weight of the hydratable component;

(d) the hydratable component being a component which successfully competes with the hydrated component for at least a portion of the water of hydration;

(e) the molded detergent composition having a melting point greater than about 30°C; and

(f) enzyme in an amount of between about 0.01 wt.% and about 10 wt.% based on the weight of the composition.

30. (New) A molded detergent composition according to claim 29, wherein the enzyme comprises at least one of protease, lipase, amylase, cellulase, and mixtures thereof.

31. (New) A method for manufacturing a molded detergent composition, the method comprising steps of:

- (a) mixing a hydrated component and a hydratable component to provide a mixture:
- (i) the hydrated component having a melting point below about 100° C and comprising a transhydration product of an anhydrous material and water of hydration, the anhydrous material having a melting point greater than about 300° C;
 - (ii) the hydratable component comprising water, if present at all, at a level of less than about 2 wt.% based on the weight of the hydratable component;
 - (iii) the hydratable component being a component which successfully competes with the hydrated component for at least a portion of the water of hydration; and
 - (iv) the mixture comprising solvent containing volatile organic compounds;
- (b) molding the mixture to provide a molded detergent composition having a melting point greater than about 30° C.

32. (New) A method according to claim 31, wherein the solvent comprises butoxy ethanol.

33. (New) A molded detergent composition comprising:
- a result of mixing and molding a composition comprising:
- (a) hydrated component and a hydratable component;
 - (b) the hydrated component having a melting point below about 100° C and comprising a transhydration product of an anhydrous material and water of hydration, the anhydrous material having a melting point greater than about 300° C;
 - (c) the hydratable component comprising water, if present at all, at a level of less than about 2 wt.% based on the weight of the hydratable component;
 - (d) the hydratable component being a component which successfully competes with the hydrated component for at least a portion of the water of hydration;
 - (e) the molded detergent composition having a melting point greater than about 30°C; and

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the composition comprising solvent containing volatile organic
compounds.

34. (New) A molded detergent composition according to claim 33, wherein the
solvent comprises butoxy ethanol.